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RESPONSE "B" AFTER FINAL UNDER RULE 1.116

Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the final Office action dated September 20, 2007 (Paper No. 091607). The three-month period for responding to the final Office action expires on December 20, 2007.

The following remarks are made for the Examiner's consideration.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.